

ABSTRACT

An operation log cooperation utilizing device 10 which enables a cooperation control on a plurality of devices using separately managed operation logs. The operation log cooperation utilizing device 10 (i) detects a user's operation on a device (101), (ii) accumulates and manages the detected operation as an operation log (102), and (iii) transmits a current operation log as a current operation log to other devices (103). On the other hand, the operation log cooperation utilizing device 10 (i) receives current operation logs from other devices (104), (ii) extracts, as associated operation logs, operation logs which are in predetermined relations to the received current operation logs (105), and (ii) transmits the extracted operation logs to other devices (106). Moreover, the operation log cooperation utilizing device 10 (i) receives associated operation logs from other devices (107), (ii) interprets the received associated operation logs (108), (iii) presents the user with the associated operation logs based on the interpretation result (109), (iv) determines the cooperating operation details for other devices based on the presented associated operation logs (110), and (v) transmits the determined cooperating operation details to the corresponding devices (111). Then, the operation log cooperation utilizing device 10 receives cooperating operation details from other devices (112), and provides the device control unit with the received cooperating operation details.